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6. [] Colonel Edward Lightfoot in Air Force L&L called to advise that they have been alerted for hearings of the Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee of Senate Armed Services in early June on the subject of missile reliability. He also informed us that in their discussion with the Subcommittee staff it was learned they hope to have Mr. McCone as the lead off witness. The Subcommittee staff has not been in touch with the Agency on this as yet and we will look into the matter.

7. [] Tom Karamessines telephoned concerning an inquiry from Senate Foreign Relations on [] The inquiry was through State. Apparently it has been found necessary to advise Carl Marcy, Director of the Staff, of the Agency's relationship and State had suggested that they go ahead and do so. However, Mr. Helms felt it would be better for the Agency to do so and was going to call Carl Marcy on his own but wished to check it here. I agreed the Agency should do/and certainly if Dick Helms wished to call Marcy direct we saw no objection.

8. [] Martin Cramer, Bureau of the Budget, telephoned on S. 822, the Freedom Academy bill in connection with a proposed report which we had sent over on 5 April 1961. He thought we might wish to review our proposed report in light of the State Department report on this bill. He will send this to us and we will be back in touch with the Bureau of the Budget.

9. [] The Director appeared before the CIA Subcommittee of Senate Armed Services Committee for the regular briefing of the Subcommittee. See Memorandum for the Record.

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8. [] I handcarried Mr. Houston's response to Senator Harry F. Byrd's letter of 7 May concerning [] to Mr. Menefee, Administrative Assistant to Senator Byrd. In substance, Mr. Menefee indicated that he had been handling all of these cases involving this Agency on the Senator's behalf and was satisfied at present that we had given the individuals a fair shake. Had he not, the matter would have been brought immediately to the Senator's attention. He thanked me for Mr. Houston's letter and for stopping by to chat with him on this subject.

9. [] Advised by William Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, that he had not been able as yet to discuss the matter of a possible date for Agency appearance before the Committee with Senator Russell but that he is aware of Mr. McCone's desire and will take the matter up at the earliest appropriate opportunity.

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11. [] Met with Carl Marcy, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, concerning a letter dated 7 May from the Subcommittee on American Republics Affairs signed by Senator Wayne Morse and raising certain specific questions on the conduct of operations against Cuba in April 1961. Marcy advised that the Senator had requested the staff to review the matter and obtain such information as necessary to complete their record. Marcy was not willing to comment on Senator Morse's personal position with regard to an Agency request for withdrawal of the letter and was somewhat adamant in the position that a written response should be provided. After some discussion, he suggested that such answer as could be provided in context and avoiding any specific statement regarding executive privilege as a basis for failure to respond in detail might provide a solution. In other words, where unable to state a detailed answer a comment such as "further answer on this subject is not deemed appropriate due to the position taken by the President of the United States immediately after the landings, that this is a matter within the responsibility of the office of the President." Such a letter will be drafted for consideration.

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